<u>S/N 10/796,553</u> <u>PATENT</u>

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

 Applicant:
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Title: AUTHENTICATION SERVICE IN A SERVICE-ORIENTED GAMING

NETWORK ENVIRONMENT

PETITION FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

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Because Applicant did not receive the Non-Final Office Action mailed April 16, 2008 prior to the Notice of Abandonment mailed November 7, 2008 and has filed a Petition to Withdraw a Holding of Abandonment with respect to the application, Applicant respectfully requests that the period of time for response be reset. Applicant therefore believes that no Extension of Time fees are due. However, if Extension of Time Fees are in fact due, then in accordance with the provision of 37 C.F.R § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a three-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the Non Final Office Action mailed April 16, 2008, said period of response being extended from July 16, 2008 to October 16, 2008.

If Extension of Time Fees are due, please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0743 in the amount of \$1,110.00 to cover the required extension fee. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to deposit Account No. 19-0743.

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